

George Washington

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Education

- Attended grade school classes until 1747
- Mostly self-taught; studied mathematics, surveying, mapmaking, and rules of civility.

Professional Experience

President of the United States of America, Philadelphia, PA (1789-1797)

- Served two 4-year terms as president of the United States, winning the elections with unanimous votes.
- Assisted Congress with the adoption of the Bill of Rights (the first 10 amendments to the Constitution) in 1791, guaranteeing the rights of the American people.
- Organized the first United States Cabinet and the Executive Branch, building an infrastructure capable of supporting future presidents.

United States Military General, Continental Army, (1775-1783)

- Motivated troops during the cold winter of 1777-1778 at Valley Forge, PA, building a mature army ready for battle.
- Launched a brilliantly planned and executed Yorktown Campaign in 1781, securing an American victory.
- Took command of troops surrounding British-occupied Boston, training a 14,000-man army and securing needed supplies.

Domestic Accomplishments

President of the United States of America, Philadelphia, PA (1789-1797)

- Adopted measures to resolve the escalating debt crisis, such as support of a program that helped repay the states' Revolutionary War debts.
- Suppressed the Whiskey Rebellion, an uprising by farmers who were displeased by the government's imposed excise on whiskey. Raised more than 12,000 troops to quell the uprising and convince people of the merit of the tax.

Foreign Accomplishments

President of the United States of America, Philadelphia, PA (1789-1797)

- Issued the Proclamation of Neutrality, establishing the United States as a neutral nation in the conflict between Britain and France, and freeing the nation from unnecessary involvement in foreign conflicts.
- Signed Jay's Treaty with Great Britain, forcing the British to evacuate western forts and stabilizing relations with Great Britain.

References

- **John Jay**, Chief Justice of the United States (1789-1795)
- **Alexander Hamilton**, United States Secretary of the Treasury (1789-1795)
- **Thomas Jefferson**, United States Secretary of State (1790-1793)